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# ANCC's Hemostasis Nursing Board Certification: What Is It and Why Do It?

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The mind, once stretched by a new idea, never returns to its original dimensions.

(Ralph Waldo Emerson)

# What exactly is it?

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An American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) credential

Designed for Registered Nurses who work in Hemostasis Nursing

- Bleeding or Clotting

Credential awarded is Registered Nurse-Board Certified (**RN-BC**)

Requires submission of an online portfolio of evidence

- No examination

Valid for 5 years

# A portfolio?

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A new assessment methodology specifically for smaller RN groups

- Advanced Forensic Nursing
- Faith Community Nursing

No exam is required

An online submission of evidence

Documents knowledge, skills, understanding, and application of professional nursing practice and theory in Hemostasis Nursing

# Who's eligible?

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Hold a current, active RN license

Have practiced the equivalent of at least two years full time as an RN

Have  $\geq 2000$  practice hours in Hemostasis Nursing in the last 3 years

Have completed  $\geq 30$  CE hours in Hemostasis Nursing in the last 3 years

Fulfill  $\geq 2$  additional professional development categories

- Academic credits
- Presentations
- Publication or Research
- Preceptor
- Professional Service

# Where do I begin?

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ANCC's Hemostasis Nursing  
Homepage

[www.nursecredentialing.org/HemostasisNursing](http://www.nursecredentialing.org/HemostasisNursing)

Your Primary  
Resource

PartnersPRN Homepage

[www.PartnersPRN.org](http://www.PartnersPRN.org)

Subsidy

Google

"Hemostasis Nursing"

First 7  
Hits!

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## **This is your primary resource.**

- Eligibility Criteria
- Fees & Discounts
- Account Setup
- FAQs and Tips on Portfolio Submission
- **Two critical documents.**
  - Certification Through Portfolio Application Requirements
  - Portfolio Content Outline

# Certification Through Portfolio Application Requirements

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# Portfolio Content Outline (PCO)

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Outlines domains comprising portfolio framework

- **Professional Development** (9%)
- **Professional and Ethical Nursing Practice** (24%)
- **Teamwork and Collaboration** (33%)
- **Quality and Safety** (24%)
- **Supervisor/Peer-Evaluation** (5%)
- **Self-Evaluation** (5%)

Describes elements of the required exemplar

- A case summary involving care that occurred within the specialty
- Presents evidence of the criteria listed in the PCO domains
  - Hint: Pay close attention to sections of the PCO that state “provide evidence in exemplar”
- Paints a picture of day-to-day practice
- Showcases clinical knowledge, critical thinking, competencies, accumulated experiential abilities

# What's the cost?

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"Non-Member"	\$525
American Nurses Association members	\$470
American Thrombosis and Hemostasis Network member <sup>1</sup>	\$470

<sup>1</sup> Please note that ATHN does not have individual members, per se, but rather has HTC affiliates. RNs employed at HTCs that are ATHN-affiliates are considered "members" for the purposes of this credential

Special Discounts  
Initial Certifications now available for \$290!



If opportunity doesn't knock,  
build a door.

(Milton Berle)



**Partners** in  
Bleeding Disorders  
Education

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The Partners Program is able to subsidize up to 80% of the cost by reimbursing successful candidates who work at federally recognized HTC's to treat individuals with bleeding disorders.

Use a well thought-out, systematic plan.

Organization is critical to your success.

Patience is virtuous.

It may take six months or longer to compile everything required for a qualified portfolio. But keep working. It's worth it!

Consider asking an RN-BC to mentor you.

The Buddy System?

ANCC provides complete instructions. Follow them "to the letter."

Use ANCC as a resource if you have questions.

[anccportfolio@ana.org](mailto:anccportfolio@ana.org)

# Two notes

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## **Magnet Institutions**

Many HTC's are at magnet institutions – if you earn the credential but your magnet center does not recognize the credential, please inform ANCC:

- **Email:** [anccportfolio@ana.org](mailto:anccportfolio@ana.org)

## **ANCC's Success Pays™ Program**

Hospital contracts to provide at least 20 eligible nurses to pursue **any** certification by exam, certification through portfolio, or renewal of certification. All details are on the ANCC's Hemostasis Nursing page (see below). Dr. Recht was going to find out more about this program and how it might apply to hemostasis nurses at HTC's.